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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:  
CARTER et al.

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Application No.: 10/719,066

Group Art Unit: 3738

Filed: November 24, 2003

Examiner: Stewart, Alvin J.

Title: STENT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 10, 2005, the period for reply being extended by the Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: